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## **Louisiana Crop Weather Summary**



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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, March 06, 2011

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### CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.7

Soil moisture supplies: 11% very short, 17% short, 66% adequate and 6% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Dry conditions early in the week provided good conditions for planting, however planting conditions slowed later in the week due to rain. Sugarcane producers broke stubble ground and applied herbicides throughout the week. Some wheat producers fertilized fields. Rice producers drilled some early rice.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Producers continued spraying and harvesting strawberries. Vegetable producers prepared for planting of spring crops. Citrus producers evaluated citrus tree freeze damage. Crawfish trapping was underway, but producers reported that crawfish were still small.

#### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Producers began to turn bulls in with herd after completion of the breeding soundness exam. Rye grass benefited from rain later in the week.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS								
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2010	5 YR AVG			
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	34	N/A	8	17			
Corn	Planted	3	N/A	0	1			
Rice	Planted	2	N/A	0	0			

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES								
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR FAIR G		GOOD	EXCELLENT			
Sugarcane	2	12	57	20	9			
Winter Wheat	0	1	27	68	4			
Livestock	1	16	49	31	3			
Vegetables	5	15	49	29	2			
Pasture	8	28	40	22	2			



# LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STATE CLIMATOLOGY, LSU, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 02/28/11 TO 03/06/11

		MAX	AIR TEMPERATURE K MIN AVG NRM		PRECIPITATION WEEKLY FOUR YR. TO TOTAL WEEKS DATE			NORM	
1.	Northwest LSU-Bossier City Minden Mooringsport Shreveport South Extreme/Average	MM 82 78 81 82	MM 36 32 35 32	MM 58 55 58 57	53 53 MM MM 54	0.05 0.45 0.63 0.40 0.49	1.08 1.32 1.61 1.45 1.46	6.36 7.73 8.71 7.64 7.69	10.12 10.92 9.32 MM.MM 10.29
2.	North-Central LSU-Calhoun Homer/Hill Farm Extreme/Average	82 83 83	34 ( <b>29</b> ) 29	58 55 56	54 52 54	0.47 0.45 0.46	1.74 1.71 1.71	7.34 9.03 MM.MM	11.62 11.00 11.67
3.	Northeast Lake Providence LSU-St Joseph Tallulah Extreme/Average	82 ( <b>87</b> ) 83 87	36 40 39 36	58 62 59 60	52 55 54 55	0.55 1.99 1.85 1.46	2.27 2.65 3.27 2.46	10.91 12.28 11.36 11.60	12.17 12.40 12.16 12.14
4.	West-Central Leesville Ashland Hodges Gardens Extreme/Average	79 81 75 81	33 31 35 31	61 58 59 60	56 53 MM 56	0.66 0.80 0.30 0.73	1.11 2.24 1.20 1.68	7.79 9.36 8.90 8.58	11.49 11.59 11.65 11.23
5.	Central Alexandria Brusly Bunkie LSU-Alexandria New Roads 5 NE Extreme/Average	82 MM 83 82 MM 83	41 MM 41 40 MM 40	63 MM 64 63 MM 63	56 57 57 57 57	0.72 0.00 1.53 0.03 0.00 1.13	1.05 0.83 2.66 0.61 0.46 2.66	6.62 9.64 7.70 5.66 6.43 7.70	12.03 12.84 12.40 11.78 12.91 12.18
6.	East-Central LSU-Clinton LSU-Hammond Slidell Extreme/Average	MM 85 80 85	MM 41 45 41	MM 63 64 63	56 57 57 58	0.00 6.61 0.96 3.79	0.53 7.24 1.85 4.55	7.83 12.15 7.18 9.67	13.03 12.81 12.59 12.72
7.	Southwest DeRidder Jennings LSU-Crowley Oberlin Fire Tow Extreme/Average	77 82 82 79 82	40 42 45 41 40	63 64 65 65	57 57 58 59 58	0.00 2.89 1.36 1.09 1.78	0.25 4.22 2.69 2.05 2.99	5.36 10.24 8.96 6.93 8.71	11.90 10.78 11.21 12.34 10.84
8.	South-Central Donaldsonville LSU-Jeanerette Morgan City Lafayette Extreme/Average	83 82 78 83 83	46 46 44 43 43	65 63 64	58 58 59 59	1.28 2.15 2.10 1.50 1.76	1.98 2.80 2.49 2.74 2.39	7.04 6.77 5.86 9.65 6.91	11.34 10.37 11.10 11.56 10.94
9.	Southeast Galliano Houma NO Audubon Park Extreme/Average	79 MM 81 81	47 MM 48 47	67 MM 65 66	59 60 61 60	2.24 0.10 1.98 2.11	2.64 0.58 2.57 2.57	9.18 3.42 5.74 5.74	11.50 10.98 11.20 11.74
	State Averages	87	29	62	57	1.54	2.57	8.26	11.57

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through March 06, 2011

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